House Resolution No. 1864

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State student athletes whose sportsmanship, training, and determination have been evident throughout the competitive season; and

Whereas, Courtney Keller has attained distinction during her junior year in high school for her accomplishments as a player on the Heartland Lady Mustangs basketball team which competes in the Class 3A level of Missouri Christian School Athletic Association sanctioned events; and

Whereas, Courtney Keller stood five feet, four inches tall and wore jersey #30 during her varsity basketball endeavors which helped her Belton, Missouri, team reach State Champion status for the third consecutive year; and

Whereas, the Heartland Mustangs of Belton ended the season on February 22, 2003, with a 21-7 win-loss record after overcoming championship challenges from Christian Academy of St. Louis, 49 to 14; Christian Fellowship of Columbia, 58 to 33; and Church on the Rock in St. Peters, 36 to 34; and

Whereas, Courtney Keller was joined in her highly productive sporting activities by senior teammates, Hannah Johnson, Tabitha Osiier, and Stephanie Yoakum; junior Charity Davis; sophomore, Priscilla Davis; freshmen, Leslie DeBrot, Megan Dellaguardia, and Lauren Burkhead; eighth-graders, Sarah Malone and Sarah Yoakum; and seventh-graders, Katlyn Kralik, Whitney Mushinski, and Brittany Hale; and

Whereas, the 2002-2003 Heartland Lady Mustangs were admirably trained and coached by Head Coach David Baker, Assistant Coaches Jeff Johnson and Kaleen Phipps, and Bench Coach Debbie Osiier with the help of Managers Chung Tran, Danielle Richards, Linda Rivers, and Jessica Anders:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the exemplary contributions of Courtney Keller to the Heartland High School girls basketball team and to convey to her this legislative body's heartiest congratulations for her team's third successful journey to the Missouri Christian School Class 3A state championships and our best wishes for continued academic and athletic success for many more years to come; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Courtney Keller of the Heartland Lady Mustangs.

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 1864, adopted April 15, 2003.